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BEST FOR VIRGINIA

..Although, generally, The Times-Virginian is identified with the Conservative Democratic group in Virginia political matters, we are of the opinion that present near-even cleavage in the party works to the advantage of the Commonwealth, in that it makes hasty legislation less likely, and puts the burden of proof upon anyone advocating anything! A General Assembly overwhelmingly committed to a single leadership, is likely to enact bills without due consideration and debate. But when the membership of the Assembly is of a near-equal slate, the chances are that nothing seriously important will be done without full study and debate.

We have no particular bill or legislation in mind. We merely note that there appears to be two groups within the Democratic leadership in Virginia, and each group is putting the other under pressure to prove its case. And, thus far, there is a friendly atmosphere between the two groups, and personal contacts continue in a spirit of give and take. As of now, we see no reason why we cannot on this session of the General Assembly to come up with adequate answers to our pressing problems. A great debate is going on in Richmond. But it is wholesome, and we are optimistic that the legislators will keep their feet on solid ground, and the forward progress of our glorious state will be helped, not hurt by whatever is done at this session.

Prosperity or Unemployment?

That bumper crop of post war babies is growing up. In two years his members will start job hunting in numbers that will add 14 million persons to the U. S. work force by 1970.

This unprecedented surge in available manpower can mean rapidly rising output, pay and living standards. Or it can mean rising unemployment and stagnation. The outcome will depend on whether enough new jobs can be created.

Creating jobs takes money — money accumulated through profits or savings and invested in new or expanded business. But our present tax structure is draining off most of the money that should be creating jobs. It is extremely difficult in this time for any business, large or small, to get far enough ahead so as to invest vast sums to creat jobs.

Too many people competing for a small number of jobs, forces down pay rates. Wage scales that are not realistic drain off the capital of the employer, and invite depression and its unemployment woes.

America must grow. But there is a need for fuller cooperation as between management and labor to create the atmosphere in which full employment may be achieved.

New machines are cutting down the need for many workers. Yet, we have millions of more workers available! This is a vital problem presenting us a major challenge.

Add to this, the fact that all over the world, vast populations are now becoming industrialized, and the constant threat of cheaper foreign labor is increasingly with us, we can see that leadership is in greater demand than ever before.

Washington To Get Vote?

The Senate recently passed a Constitutional amendment which would give citizens of the District of Columbia the right to vote in Presidential elections and the right to elect delegates to the House of Representatives.

This is an interesting and significant vote, and it passed the Senate by a 63-26 margin, the necessary two-thirds. At the time this editorial is written, it awaits passage in the House of Representatives.

It must also be passed in the lower house of Congress by a two-thirds vote, and then it must be ratified by the Se-fourths of the fifty states, before the Constitution is actually amended.

The interesting feature concerning this amendment is that it answers some of the arguments of those who have long objected to the voteless status of Washington residents. It would give Washington residents the vote in presidential elections and would allow them to name delegates to the House of Representatives—just as Hawaii and Alaska did for so many years.

That is as far as it goes, however, and it does not turn the District of Columbia over to the residents of the District, and therefore it cannot be correctly called a home-rule bill.

Those who have argued so vociferously for home rule in Washington believe that residents in the District of Columbia should have their own municipal government and run their own affairs. Opponents of this believe the states should govern the District of Columbia, as it is the joint property of the fifty states, and they point to an unsuccessful experiment with home rule many years back, when it was tried.

He that as it may, there is no reason why residents of the District should not vote in presidential elections, and they certainly should have representation in Congress.

Widening The Panama Canal

The time is coming when the United States must decide whether to widen the Panama Canal, or leave it as it is.

While some people may not be aware of it, the Canal is already too small for our largest warships—and the superliners of the Forrestal class. If these carriers must be moved from the Atlantic to the Pacific, they must now make the long voyage around Cape Horn.

Officially, the Navy says that the new carriers are so much faster that they can make the long trip in less time thing the older carriers. Moreover, the Navy maintains a complete fleet in each ocean, and adequate bases. Nevertheless, it may be desirable to widen the Canal so that it can handle any modern warship.

From the commercial viewpoint, the Canal is large enough to handle practically all ocean-going ships as of the moment. On the other hand, as ships get larger, the Canal will not be able to handle them. There are several ships today which are too big for the Canal.

Action does not appear imminent, but we are of the opinion, that sooner or later, we must speed up the canal crossing from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Founder of A Great Country

The man who was most influencial in the successful founding of the United States was, of course, George Washington, whose birthday anniversary is observed next Monday. The nation's first President, and the General who won a war against Great Britain to make the colonies independent of that nation, is rightly remembered each February 22nd, and honored as the Father of His Country.

However, the proper observance of Washington's birthday anniversary did not come about overnight after his death. The colonies and states were slow to recognize the magnitude of the contribution and accomplishment of General Washington. Not only had he won independence for the colonies, he had served as the First President, and he had set the precedent for a two-term limit for Chief Executives.

Moreover, he had established the foundation principles of American governments — one of them being staying out of the affairs of other nations. That policy was the wisest course for the young nation at that time, and this doctrine allowed the country to grow and prosper during its early years.

After he died, on December 14th, 1799, the Congress — then meeting in Philadelphia—proposed that February 22, 1890, be observed throughout the country with exercises in honor of the First President of the country.

Thereafter, observances of Washington's birthday spread rapidly, and today, observance of the anniversary of the birth of our First President, and military hero, is general.

Washington's high standards of conduct, morality, ethics and statesmanship, were, and are today, an example for Americans in public office. Because Washington had all these qualities, we are enjoying the fruits of liberty and strength.

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Washington Notes

Busy Senate

The Senate has been busy voting to revise the Constitution. In a flurry of roll-calls, it approved an omnibus amendment that would: Outlaw the poll tax. Grant suffrage to voteless residents of the District of Columbia. Permit Governors to appoint members of the House of Representatives if a majority of the House was killed in a nuclear attack.

The package was adopted by a vote of 70 to 18.

Foreign Aid

The Administration has decided to increase aid to India by at least 50 per cent and probably more.

It has decided also to make a significant increase in aid for Pakistan and is considering more help for Taiwan, conditioned upon the willingness of the Chiang Kai-Shek Government to adopt certain measures.

A program of assistance to the emerging nations of Africa below the Sahara has also been approved.

Ike Scores Generals

President Eisenhower has termed "parochial" the views of generals who say "the bosses know nothing about it."

The President's rebuke was delivered at a recent news conference. He was commenting on the renewed appeal by Gen. Thomas S. Power, head of the Strategic Air Command, for the airborne alert plan that the Administration has rejected.

Aid To Aged Studied

President Eisenhower has stepped into the controversial issue of federally sponsored medical care for the aged.

He told his news conference the Administration was considering a proposal to increase the Social Security payroll tax by one-fourth of 1 per cent for both employer and employee to finance better care for the aged.

He added, however, that no decision has been made, and he was not ready to make any recomemndation.

Air Force Admission

The Air Force, which denies it uses enlisted men as servants for officers, admits that it had issued an "on-the-job-training" manual instructing G.I's how to wash an officer's dog, make his bed, and mix his drinks.

The manual drew Congressional ridicule at a House Armed Services subcommittee hearing on whether the armed forces were making full use of their manpower. Air Force witnesses said it had been rescinded, though a revised edition may be put out later.

Peru Prepays Part Debt

Peru recently joined the small groups of nations repaying in advance some of their debts to the United States.

The Export-Import Bank has announced that Peru has prepaid $10,500,000 of $15,500,000 loan made in 1958. Payments under this loan, which had been made to help Perun over a severe pinch in her balance of payments, had not been due to begin until 1962.

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Leadership Training Sessions Two Days At Liberty Church

Three state youth leaders from Baptist Woman's Missionary Union Richmond, Va., will be in Appomattox at Liberty Baptist Church to conduct a Leadership Training School for all Sunbeam, Girls' Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary leaders on Feb. 22 and 23. The three leaders are to be conducted by Rees Jones, State Y. W. A. Director; Mrs. Harold Tillman, G. A. Director; Mrs. J. C. Harwood, State Sunbeam Director.

The first class will start at 4:30 p.m. on Monday afternoon, Feb. 22. There will be thirty minutes out for a sandwich supper. At 6:45, the group will convene for a worship service. Rev. James T. Cravens, pastor of Liberty, will conduct the service on Monday evening, and Miss Joan Spencer, Student Director of the Baptist Student Center, Longwood College, Farmville, Va., will lead the devotional period on Tuesday evening at 6:45.

There are approximately one hundred and twenty-five youth leaders and counselors in the Appomattox Association. The theme of this workshop will be centered around the 1960 Jubilee Goal for all Southern Baptist Churches, "Teaching and Leadership Training."

The three Associational Youth officers are Mrs. George Harris, Jr., Burkeville, Y. W. A. Director; Mrs. L. W. Weeks, G. A. Director, Burkeville, and Mrs. W. A. Odham, Sunbeam Director, Burkeville. Mrs. A. A. Harwood, Jr., Supt. of the W. M. U. of Appomattox Association, extends an invitation to all those who are interested in the youth work to attend these two sessions.

Mrs. Berkeley Cabaniss, of Red Oak Baptist Church is the Y. W. A. Director for Group Four. Mrs. Carl Woodridge, of Liberty, is the G. A. Director, and Mrs. Henry Mann, of Central, is the Sunbeam Director for this group.

Farm News

J. A. Smith, County Agent

A flue-cured tobacco workers' conference has changed prior fertilizer recommendations. For field fertilizer the nitrogen should contain not 30% nitrate nitrogen and not more than 25% from this source. This will up the fertilizer cost, but research points out that better quality tobacco will result—a high dollar value per acre.

Black weevil can destroy alfalfa stands unless heptachlor applied either as a granular at 40-60 pounds per acre or heptachlor fertilizer mix to control the insect. Recommendations are that it go on prior to April 21. After that date the only recommendation will be an expensive and relatively ineffective mix.

Spring feeder calf sale will be held April 7. Weight limits 300 - 1000 lbs. Health requirements are the same as for fall sales. Nominations may be in the county agent's office by March 10. A summary during the six weeks of feeder calf sales in 1958 showed steers and heifers sold through feeder sales brought $14 and $14.80 more per head than strictly than those sold through regular auction.

A commodity committees composed of six leading farmers each meeting with the county agent and the County Extension program leaders point out problems and collectively work out methods of eliminating or improving the practice.

Many news articles have appeared in recent months concerning the use of farm chemicals. The famous thalidomide sales caused a 30% drop in cranberry sales in 1959. Similar stories could cause severe cuts in the purchases of other farm goods. It is particularly important that farm people get their story to the consumer that farm chemicals are perfectly safe when used according to directions.

When the new agricultural census figures come out, look for a big drop in the number of farms. Heretofore, those owning three acres of land were considered farmers. It's now changed to 10 acres. Fewer people farming—yet of the 65 million employed workers, 25 million are employed in agriculture. Many boys will be leaving the farm, yet those who stay through necessity, will be better informed. Some agricultural leaders say that there are four great truths young men should recognize:

1. That the modern farmer will be a true businessman and will need business training.
2. That being unable to secure credit may stifle the farm business man's advancement.
3. That marketing the products of his toil will be one of the farmer's main concerns, and,
4. That tomorrow's farmers will no longer be able to shun their political responsibility.

The winter feeder pig sale set for Feb. 25 has been cancelled — not enough pigs. The spring sale will be held on May 19.

Beckham

Beckham, Feb. 16.. Charles Allen Tweedy, of the U. S. Navy, was home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Luck, Wayne and Kathy spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Moore, Jr. and Roger Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore, Barbara Ann and Timmy visited in this home on Monday.

Cornelius and Nancy Moore spent Saturday with Ronnie and Carolyn Jo Morris.

Due to the heavy snowfall on Saturday, there were no services at Trinity Church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Ronnie and Carolyn Jo visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Martin on Friday afternoon.

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ACCEPTS CHURCH POSITION

Miss Laura McFadden, of Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox, has been elected by the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia to be the Assistant Director of the Baptist Good Will Center at Clinchо, Virginia.

Miss Carrie Vaughn, Executive Secretary of Virginia W. M. U., made this announcement at the monthly meeting of the Board at Richmond, Va., on Friday, Feb. 12.

Miss McFadden has been active in all phases of religious education at Liberty Baptist Church, having served as Sunday School teacher in the Junior Department, Sunbeam Counselor, Royal Ambassador Leader, Circle Leader, and Y. W. A. Counselor.

She is currently serving as Associate Clerk of the church, chairman of the Membership Committee, Eagle Eyrie Committee, member of the Church Cohir, Superintendent of the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School, and Secretary of the Training Union. She was one of the first Y. W. A.'s of the church to receive the Y. W. A. Citation in 1948.

Miss McFadden, who is now employed at Farmer's National Bank at Appomattox, will leave March 1st for Clinchо, Va., where she will assist Miss Emma Lou McCraw, Director of the Baptist Center.

Miss McFadden is the daughter of Mrs. Herman Carter, of Appomattox, and the late J. W. McFadden.

Hixburg

Hixburg, Feb. 15.- The flu bug has flown into many homes in this neighborhood.

On Friday, Mr. Willie Hix and sister, Miss Maggie Hix, were taken to Southside Hospital for treatment.

Miss Carrie Hix is recovering from flu.

Friday, Mrs. W. M. Erwin, of Mount Ulla, N. C., and her son-in-law, A. J. Shuping, arrived at the Hix home.

Mrs. Erwin is staying to help out. Mr. Shuping returned to N. C. on Friday evening.

Friday and Saturday, Mrs. Henry Covington was in with a bad throat. She had been nursing in the Hix family.

The Monday report from the Farmville Hoepital is that Mr. Willie Hix is somewhat better, but Miss Maggie Hix is very ill.

Mrs. Earl Shelton and Ricky,, of Pamplin spent the week-end in Appomattox.

Health and Beauty

A great many women have trouble with a cosmetic allergy. Often, not realizing what the trouble is, they will spend large sums of money trying to find out what is wrong.

This is understandable because with a cosmetic allergy, the most often affected places are the face and neck. It takes a great deal of self-control to awaken one morning with a bright red rash or a series of blisters on your face and not become frantic.

The list of irritants could go on indefinitely, but a few of the most common ones are: nail polish, all kinds of eye make-up, harsh shampoos and soaps, wave sets and hair lacquers, hair dyes, and the usual base make-up, powder, rouge and lipstick.

The best policy, if you suddenly start having blemishes that sting or burn on your face or neck, is to get in touch with your family doctor. Upon examining you, he will probably prescribe something to give you relief from your discomfort. If he thinks your trouble is bad enough, he will most likely put you in touch with a dermatologist.

A most peculiar aspect of this type of skin trouble is that you can suddenly become allergic to some cosmetic you have been using for years.

It has been found, fairly recently, that allergies are one of the causes of acne. The sad part of this is that an acne victim will usually pile on a great deal of make-up in an effort to hide the eruptions on her face and neck. Whether her trouble is caused from a cosmetic allergy, a food allergy, or a glandular imbalance, this is the worst possible thing she could do.

Rocks

Rocks, Feb. 15.- The heaviest snow of the season came over the week-end.

A few from here attended the meeting at Beulah Church last Monday night.

Everyone was glad to see Rev. W. H. Elder out on Wednesday night, after being away because of illness. The class on "Studies in Timothy" started last Wednesday night.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Dave Goin on the death of her father, John Chernault, who was buried last Tuesday.

Also, sympathy is extended to Mrs. Reuben Garrett (nee Vernie Dickerson) on the death of her husband, Reuben Garrett, who died suddenly in Amherst on last Tuesday night.

Mrs. Mary Inge left Friday to spend the week-end with Mrs. Ethel C. Paulette, of near Evergreen.

Claude Leffel returned home from the hospital last Thursday, much improved in health.

Mrs. L. C. Elder returned home after spending a few days in Richmond.

Mrs. Rhomy Wilson and Mrs. John Ranson were in Pamplin Friday afternoon to see the former's aunt, Mrs. John Davis, who is sick.

A sad gloom was cast again over our community, when news came Saturday afternoon that Bob Jennings, of Lynchburg, had passed away.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Richardson and her mother, Mrs. Vance Harvey spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Julian Glover stopped by to see her sister, Mrs. Clarence Richardson last Monday, en route to her home in Crewe.

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About The Home

By Frances Dell

It takes a certain amount of skill and know-how to do a good job of carving roasts, hams and birds. There is no point in making the job harder by not having the proper tools and a knowledge of the correct way to cut different kinds of meat.

One important requisite is a big platter. Never put the roast or chicken on a small plate surrounded with potatoes, peas and such. It is too much to expect the carver not to slosh under these conditions. The serving platter should be placed close to the corner, and skewers and cords should be removed before the meat is brought to the table.

There must be a good standard carving set with a two-pronged fork and knife with a semi-flexible blade and a pair of poultry shears. Remember, the knife needs to be sharpened by a professional every so often.

When carving beef, cut toward you, letting the knife slide on the forward stroke — don't saw back and forth.

Roast leg of lamb and ham are more often massacred than any other meat. To carve either of these meats, the protruding bone should be on the carver's right with the bone pointing up. The cutting must be done against the grain.

Carving a turkey, a roast chicken or a duck is about the same. Place the bird on the platter breast up, with the legs to the carver's right. Insert the fork at the top of the breast with the prongs straddlim the breastbone. First cut off the second joint and drumstick together. Carve these if you like — next remove the wings. Now, it's time to slice the breast meat — from the top down.

ALIBI

Appleton, Wisc.. Although he explained he was hurrying to get two hot pizza pies home before they cooled, James Van Bextel was fined $15 for speeding.

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Opportunity Knocks

Detour, Mich.- Detour, a town of 611 persons in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, wants a doctor. Mayor Maurice Ainsworth said a physician should earn from $14,000 to $15,000 there. That is what the townspeople pay to doctors in Sault St. Marine, 60 miles away, the closest town where service is available.

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